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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Peter BOEKSTEGERS

Application No.: 09/845,154

Filed: May 1, 2001

For: METHODS AND DEVICES FOR

DELIVERING A VENTRICULAR

STENT

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks

Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND **ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated January 23, 2003, please amend this application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 6, 10, 30, 32, 43, and 45 to read as follows:

(Amended) A method of providing direct blood flow between a heart chamber 1. and a coronary vessel, the method comprising the steps of:

placing a guide device through an anterior wall and a posterior wall of the coronary vessel and through a heart wall between the heart chamber and the coronary vessel;

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